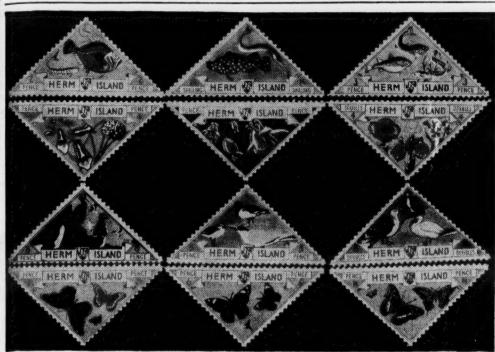
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# Philately Reaching A New Low?



FISH—FLOWERS—BIRDS—BUTTERFLIES. Take your pick if you collect any of these items. The producers are figuring on getting four Topical collectors on each set. You have to buy the set to get he three you want so that makes four sales whereas one would have resulted if all had been of the same subject. Of course when they get over here and the dealers who sell them wake up they will split them into four sets of three and jack the price up a bit for the labor involved and you will not have to buy the full set. Incidentally the producers of this truck have used Shillings and Pence on their labels instead of Puffins or some such thing. However one of the Labels says "4 Doubles", another "8 Doubles".

#### Paintings And Artists Of Venetian School Are Shown On World's Postage Stamps

Clore McAlister

At the beginning of the Renaissance painting was almost wholly confined to the Church. From the Church it extended to the Council Hall and to the Mutual Aid Societies — the Schools — where it rapidly developed into an art which had no higher aim than painting the life of the aristocracy.

These Mutual Aid Societies, or Schools, were not schools as we know them today. In those days there were no art schools where young painters attended classes. If a boy decided to become a painter, he was apprenticed at an early age to one of the leading masters of his town.

If he showed talent and could imitate his master to perfection be would gradually be permitted to work on the paintings for which the master had received tommissions. Perhaps eventually he would paint a whole picture from the master's sketch and uniter his supervision.

This is the reason why the

This is the reason why the shools of painting developed such a clear individuality of their twn. Connoisseurs of art can recognize whether a fifteenth-century picture comes from Florence, Siena, Nuremberg, or Vi-

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The Church had

appealing to us.

The Church had educated people to understand painting as a language and it could not be long confined to the channel of religious emotion. By the end of the 15th century, Venetians desired their paintings to show life as they lived it. It is true that artists continued to paint the Madonna and saints, but they painted them as people like themselves who found life worth living and wore their splendid robes with dignity.

One of the earliest of the great

with dignity.

One of the earliest of the great painters of Venice was Giovanni Bellini. So far we have not been able to identify any stamp as hav(Continued on page 8)

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Designs, all conceived by Mrs. Signe Hammarsten-Jansson, are respectively, bumble-bee, butterfly and dragon-fly. Engravers in the same order are S. Ronnberg, B. Ekholm and R. Achren. There will be a half million copies of the low value and 400,000 each of the high.

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Mr. Bostrom believes that the Norwegian centenary of postage commem will appear around January 2. Whether there will be more than the one stamp is not known at this time.

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#### World's Stamp Dealers Must Fight New Gaudy Flood Of Labels Made Like Stamps

George W. Linn

It would seem to be about time for a few really smart and honorable men who are in the stamp trade as a business, to make a move to organize a stamp dealers association in which every member would be pledged (and with suitable penalties set up if the pledge is violated) to trade only in legitimate Postal Issues of Recognized Governments of the World and other stamps, as Locals or legitimate issues of any nature, which are properly issued under regulations of recognized governments. To include also, legitimate reprints when represented as such and counterfeits when offered in the same way.

It must be realized that stamps of this kind are sought by specialists for study and research into postal listory.

ists for study and research into pos-tal history.

We firmly believe if an organiza-tion like this was formed and if such an organization advertised to the effect that a novice collector could trade with the dealer mem-bers of the association, with the complete assurance that they would be treated honestly and honorably, that the group would get strong

that the group would get strong support from the collector.

It is time something was done to protect the buyer. It is the buyer who makes the dealer possible. If it is to continue that the buyer is

it is to continue that the buyer is to be cheated at every opportunity, certainly a lot of them will give up the hobby in disgust.

How Low Can Philately Sink. If I were an artist I would cartoon that line. I would show a beautiful damsel representing Philately. I would show her sinking into the mire with her face and arms and bosom bitten and covered with fleas and other vermin.

Who is to blame for this situation. Nobody except the stamp deal-

who is to blame for this situa-tion. Nobody except the stamp deal-ers who ask the collectors to pa-tronize them. If just a few stamp dealer members of the BPA, or the ASDA, would get together and make demands that their Associa-tion take action to stop the sale tion take action to stop the sale and marketing of this label maand marketing of this label material by any member dealer it could be licked in an instant. Must we believe that there are not dealers who would like to see this trash out of the market? Action speaks louder than words and we urge action by those who could stop it at its source.

We have pleaded with the American Stamp Dealers Association to

We have pleaded with the American Stamp Dealers Association to take some action, but nothing has as yet been done. The ASDA could take action. They could condemn this material and if they did, every stamp publication in the country would print their condemnation statement as news and thus collectors could be warned. Publishers could be asked to refuse advertising space to dealers who offer it, and they would refuse, but so long as the ASDA supports this trash by inaction these same publishers fail to take a stand on the matter. Perhaps fearful of loss of advertising patronage.

It is a pity that the average col-lector who receives some of these labels on approval, represented as stamps as we know stamps, does

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not turn the approval selection over to a U. S. Post Office Inspector of his local postmaster with a charge that the mails are being used to de-fraud. That is just what is being done and it only takes one brave soul to start sellers scurry for

soul to start sellers scurry for a hole to hide in.

A few weeks ago we advised our readers through our editorial column that another flood of labels was ready to be turned loose on the stamp market. This lot was inspired by the success of the sale of the Lundy Labels which have pestered collectors for years past. They are made in all the choice ways that rare items can occur. Imperfs, Part Perfs and other errors are available for those who want them and who are sucker enough to buy them.

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The Island of Herm is now offering its product through British Wholesalers who seemingly have no compunction about what they sell as long as they sell it.

Let us see now if the British Philatelic Press will condemn these British made labels.

Notice the pretty triangles on the

British made labels.

Notice the pretty triangles on the front page of this paper which children will fall for as fast as they can get hold of the necessary money to buy a set. That is whe they are aimed at, the youth of the world. world.

they are aimed at, the youth of the world.

Note the top row of fishes. They are probably all intended to be suckers, so you will remember what a sucker you have been for buying them.

Ever since Topical Stamp Collecting gained such momentum there has been an effort on the part of many countries of the world to make sets of stamps to supply the demand from those who collect Animals, Flowers, Fishes and many other things. It is bad enough that Philately has to put up with such issues from recognized governments. When many collectors cannot afford mint sets at face the various governments are graciously cancelling them and selling at a fraction of face.

Truly, Philately is being pushed down enough by recognized governments without letting the pikers from illegitimate sources cut in out the deal.

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#### UNESCO, ICAO Designs Chosen

The UN Postal Administration has released a photograph of the first commemorative set of 1955, to be issued on February 9 in honor of the International Civil Aviation Organization.



The symbolic representation of flight depicted is the work of Angel Medina Medina, artist and design-er of Uruguay.

Mr. Medina is a new designer of

United Nations stamps; moreover, this is the first time that the UN will issue one conceived by an Uruguayan artist.

The design will be printed in two

denominations, 3c and 8c. The 3c will be blue-grey, and 8c dark carmine. Printing will be by Waterlow and Sons Ltd. of London, England, to which firm the general contract for the printing of UN postage stamps for 1955 was awarded earlier this year.
Also announced by the UN Postal

Administration is the winner of the recent International Competition for a UNESCO postage stamp design, held by the Administration on behalf of UNESCO, he is George Hamori of Tel Aviv, Israel.

The prize-winning picture, for which UNESCO will make an award of \$500, depicts the UNESCO emblem, surrounded by a border with rounded corners, in which appears the text "United Nations" in the five official languages of the



The jury which made the award in favor of Mr. Hamori consisted of Rene d'Arnamcourt, Head of the Museum of Modern Art, New York; Museum of Modern Art, New York; Douglas Schneider, Director of Mass Communication, UNESCO; Byron F. Wood, Director, Com-munications and Records Service, UN Secretariat; Gerald Carnes, Li-aison Officer, UNESCO, at UN Headquarters and Reidar Tvedt, Chief of the UN Postal Administra-tion.

Before the jury were 67 designs, submitted by 37 artists represent-

ing 18 countries.

Mr. Hamori is a 35-year-old Israeli artist. He was born and educated in Budapest, Hungary, and during the Second World War spent four years in captivity. At the end of the way he emigrated it break of the war he emigrated to Israel, to start life afresh. He is a new stamp designer, so far as UN post-age stamps are concerned.

#### Monthly Magazine Devoted To Israel

Launched with a November 1954 Launched with a November 1954 first edition is a new magazine, "The Holy Land Philatelist", Israel's Stamp Monthly. It is published by Israel Periodicals, 13 Montefiore St., Tel Aviv, Israel. The editor is F. W. Pollack.

This inaugural release is indeed an impressive magazine with its many illustrations and its fine articles on Israel and Palestine stamps and postal history.

Language of this and future issues will be English. An innovation which should be popular is the translation of Yiddish inscriptions, found on stamps and on related

found on stamps and on related material, into English. This fea-ture is to be continued right on

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#### PLATE BLOCK Thoughts and Comments

M. X. Weiss 2806 W. Eastwood Ave. Chicago 25, Ill.

**New Special Delivery** 

It has been a long time in coming and after almost 30 years it is definitely high time, and a welcome sight, to see the new 20c Special Delivery, with a design that is more up to date than the long antiquated truck nictured on the antiquated truck pictured on the

antiquated truck pictured on the superceded 20c.
However odd it may appear, the facts remain that out of 25,000 plate numbers that the government has prepared since it took over the printing of postage stamps, only 200 numbers have been used in the printing of Special Delivery stamps or to be more exact, 199. in the printing of Special Delivery stamps or, to be more exact, 199. In other words, of the first 25,000 plate numbers only one pair of plates have been used for Special Delivery purposes out of every 250 plates that go to press.

That is indicative how few plate numbers there are in the Special Deliveries when any collector of plate blocks contemplates the inclusion of Special Deliveries in his, or her, collection.

Special Delivery stamps fall into

Special Delivery stamps fall into Special Delivery stamps fall into a class that enjoy only limited use. That is to say they cannot be used for any other purpose, except Special Delivery. If you will recall, the post office department made it clear that anyone who requested first day covers on this Special Delivery had to add 3c or 6c (for air mail) postage. On the basis of Special Delivery issues of the recent past, it is safe

On the basis of Special Delivery issues of the recent past, it is safe to assume that possibly two or four plate numbers, at most, may be used, for most likely this stamp will also be printed by the rotary process, and the number of impressions that can be had from the rotary press printing is large and would, therefore, not require more than a maximum of four plate numbers for a few years to come

In obtaining plate blocks or plate singles of this new one the ability to obtain them parallels closely the recent 4c airmail, and the 80c airmail of two years ago.

Special Delivery service is far

more common than it used to be in

the past.

To obtain plate blocks of the 20c Special Delivery you need only buy a strip of twenty stamps from the Philatelic Agency, in Washington, D. C., unless you know of several good friends who are postal clerks at stamp windows, and who would be willing to oblige you every once in a while with a well centered plate block or two.

well centered plate block or two.

The fact that only two or four plate numbers may be reasonably expected, makes it a handy and easy problem to include the Special Deliveries in your collection. The blue color will also be an appreciated change from the dark black of the old edition of 1925.

At a later date I will give you the breakdown on all the plate numbers that have been used for Special Delivery, from the time that the American Bank Note Company did the printing of our postage stamps and through the entire period from where the United States government took over in 1894, to date.

#### **Two Commems From** Italy; One Vatican

Although several Italian commemoratives have been definitely "killed," two Italian and one Vatican commemorative issues are due before the end of 1954, according to P. Ostrow.

P. Ostrow.

There will be two engraved stamps, 25L. and 60L., in honor of Amerigo Vespucci, who gave his name to the American continents. A single will pay homage to Silvio Pellico, revered author of Italy's Risorgimento period.

A Vatican commemorative will honor St. Augustine It may be exthrough the alphabet and should prove a boon to those not conversant with the Jewish language.

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A reference to philately is contained in the autobiography of the late John Murray Anderson, published November 12 under the title, "Out Without My Rubbers". Roy Swanson of St. Paul, Minn. noted the item.

It seems that before Anderson came to New York and staged such shows as the Greenwich Village Follies, and Almanac, he was an antique dealer in St. Johns, Newfoundland who occasionally took a flyer in stamps. flyer in stamps. The reference to philately reads —

"I also gave ardent attention to the matter of stamps and philately. I wanted to go to England and this was as good a way as any to fi-nance the trip! I accumulated a collection of Newfoundland stamps, collection of Newfoundland stamps, always very popular with enthusiasts in this universal hobby. I bought quantities, in sheets—the more 'surcharged' ones the better—and soon had a sizeable stock. "One of the local collectors was a genial and bulky gentleman, known to the trade as 'Flatulent Frederick, the Felicitous Philatelist'.

"I took my collection of stamps over to London and sold them at a handsome profit."

#### Christmas Edition Of Gimbel Bulletin

The special Christmas issue of the "Stamp News" distributed by Gimbels in New York, Philadelphia Gimbels in New York, Philadelphia and Milwaukee; Marshall Field in Chicago; Rich's in Atlanta; J. L. Hudson in Detroit; Jordan Marsh in Boston; and Kaufmann's in Pittsburgh is now ready for collectors in the areas served by these stores.

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#### Food For Thought

In a letter from one of the leading and best informed men in the United States on rare old U. S. and certain other world rarities this man puts the question to me as concerning the prices realized for the Harris Missionaries in a late Harmer sale. Let me quote a paragraph from



"I am wondering if you saw the prices realized at the recent sale by Harmer Rooke & Co. (Oct. 4th) of the Hawaii Missionary stamps. Prices were surely way out of line with catalogue quotations and I wondered why? I wondered if the publicity that you gave the Grinnells had any effect? Do you suppose it might have scared buyers away from these stamps? Or do you think there is a scarcity of collectors in the present day who are willing to pay prices that were paid by Worthington, Duveen, Hind, Caspary, etc., etc., for such material. I wonder? With a fellow such as Sperati operating maybe it is not considered smart to pay \$5,000 for a canceled postage stamp. What do you think?"

My reply was that I do not think we have a group of men at present who will pay the

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are now gone and a new group that makes for competition is not yet

in sight.

It takes years of development for new men to get the urge to buy material of this class when there can be so much question about it. The tremendous repair jobs done on some of these Missionaries were such that a good part of the stamp was manufactured and who can have confidence in such material except a rabid wealthy man trying to outdo a competitor. The great strip of three 13c on cover was a horrible thing when found and was fully rebuilt. The famous Dawson-Ashton cover that once belonged to several different of these men is a sickening example of how those boys yied with one another for questionable material.

Now we are to have turned loose on the stamp trade and on the

material.

Now we are to have turned loose on the stamp trade and on the very wealthy collector several million dollars worth (if accepted as genuine) of the world's rarities. The work of Sperati was so good that none but a most expert philatelist could detect it. In the hands of 95% of all stamp dealers it would be offered as genuine, because the boys do not know any better. So who will buy it. New, embryo wealthy collectors who will patronize a man who claims to be a stamp dealer yet he lacks all the knowledge that would make him acceptable as an expert of which there are few. Yet the stamp dealers association as represented by the B. P. A. (British Philatelic Association) which is equivalent to the ASDA in this country is going to turn loose in the market hundreds of sets of the Sperati stuff and who will get it. Any member of the Association who cares to buy it, and then what happens.

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The vast majority of these dealers never handled most of the things that are to be included in this lot. This group will unquestionably offer some of this material as genuine and lots of it may be sold as such. There is just no other way for it to end up. Who is going to count the number of copies turned loose? Who is going to mark them so the mark cannot be removed? What is going to happen to some of these lots in a few years when some holder dies and the stuff gets in other hands?

This action of the BPA is going to do more to discourage wealthy men, who buy high priced stamps, than anything that ever happened. That group of men will be prize suckers if they buy such material without iron clad guarantees from the seller, and even then, when the seller dies or passes out of the picture, who will make the guarantee good if the stuff is identified for what it is?

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Boys, you are definitely choking to death the goose that has been laying the golden eggs.

As for the Grinnell Missionaries affecting prices on the first accepted group, I think this is possible. The Grinnell stuff looks as good, has all the characteristics of the accepted material as to paper, ink and other factors and I just think the big spenders are beginning to wonder.

There has been too much shennanigans in the stamp trade and it is time an honorable association of dealers is organized to condemn anything that is not right, rather than help market it. They owe the

#### Something New In Postal Markings

In conjunction with the American Philatelic Congress meet in St. Louis in late October, the St. Louis Society of Collectors sent out an unusual piece of mail which of course you had to order in advance. The plan was to deposit the letters on board a Mississippi River Steamboat bound for St. Louis. When the covers arrived they were to be canceled at St. Louis and with a cancellation mark carrying the word "STEAMBOAT". It has perhaps been a long time since any STEAMBOAT carried much mail from New Orleans to St. Louis, but that is the way this stunt was played.

The covers, two of them which we sent for arrived in Howey on the 25th October, cancelled at St. Louis on the 22nd October. A study of the two covers indicates that one could pretty near write a paper to be read before the next Philatelic Congress on this event.

We wonder if covers received by other collectors are like ours, or if there are still other variations of the cancellation and postal

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markings.
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On cover Number 1, we find a shield shaped cachet in blue, carrying the words "ST LOUIS/ZEPHYR." If memory serves me right, that the words "ST LOUIS/ZEPHYR." If memory serves me right, that is the name of a New York Central Rail Road Train, so we have evidence on the cover that it traveled both by Boat and Train. The Number 2 cover also bears a cachet in a scroll with the same wording. That however is where their similarity ends. Both covers came with the flaps tucked in, unsealed. The Number 1 cover is backstamped at St.

Laps tucked in, unsealed. The Number I cover is backstamped at St. Louis on October 23, showing that it was just a one day trip for the boat from New Orleans. The other cover is without the backstamp.

Number I cover is marked "POSTAGE DUE.....CENTS M" In the space after CENTS is a figure 3 in black pencil, indicating that there is 3c postage due on the cover. On the other cover is a hand stamp reading "Postage due cents".

To justify the due marks "34:16 PLR" is written in pencil below.

reading "Postage due cents".

To justify the due marks, "34:16 PLR" is written in pencil below the handstamp line, and in the plank spaces is a figure 1 in black pencil. So we get one cover for 3c due and one for 1 cent due.

When the covers were presented to us at the post office we im-

mediately thought of an old 1861 cover we have with a 3c stamp on it and which is marked 1c Due in a circle and also handstamped STEAM-BOAT. That made us remark that the 3c due cover was wrong as the Steamboat people were to have 1 cent for carrying each letter.

Our postmaster then said that the rules call for 3c due on such letters. We did not argue the matter so accepted one letter with a 1c and a 2c due stamp on it to make 3c and the other with a 1c due stamp on it for 1c. Thus we got two different varieties of postal markings and due to the fact that we do not have a copy of the P. L. & R. here in Howey we can not check and verify for ourselves just which one is right. We are satisfied however as they are, for both are legitimate as indicated by the markings.

indicated by the markings.

On the other hand, since these were not letters, but unsealed envelopes carrying blank pieces of paper, does the same rate apply to circular matter as to letters. It is all a puzzle which might be interest-

ing to solve.

What was your experience with these covers. Are yours as described or did you get something still different?

#### Speaking Of Cancellations

While we are on the subject of cancellations this is a good place to mention one given me by Mr. Paul Reed, secretary of the Central Florida Chapter of the ASDA. This cancel is an R.P.O. of quite some interest. It is on a piece of the cover bearing a stamp of Haiti. The cancellation reads "N.Y. & CANAL ZONE/R. P. O." inside the circle and in the center of the circle "OCT/9/1924/NORTH". Mr. Reed has a companion piece to this with a Canal Zone Stamp on the cover. This is a very interesting RPO and should have quite a history attached to it. On the piece of cover in pen, is written, "Per C. S. Panama."

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BY CARL P. RUETH

I am certainly getting a rather I am certainly getting a rather liberal education in chemistry these recent weeks — at least the chemistry which has to do with the changing of the color of postage stamps. This, as you know, has all been brought about by an opinion expressed here that the \$1 Presidential "honestly" exists printed with a carmine frame. Uncle Samprints it in purple.

When I stuck by beautiful, long, white and muchly scarred neck out

When I stuck by beautiful, long, white and muchly scarred neck out on this one, I was well aware that colors of stamps can be changed chemically. I've had a lot of fun along those lines myself.

However, if chemicals are used to change the purple to carmine, you at the same time will work some kind of a change on the black of the vignette. Where the change

some kind of a change on the black of the vignette. Where the change has been effected with various fluids this black, and the ink of any part of a cancellation which might be on the stamp, are caused to change to a lighter shade and density, bordering on a grayish black.

A number of the carmine border items sent here have the black of the vignette and that of the cancelling ink just as sharp and intense as the day they were printed. Those are the stamps I believe are leading to the stamps I believe are

legitimate varieties.

As yet I haven't received any laboratory report on those stamps sent off for expertization. Will tell you soon as I do.

Also brought on by the above has been the sending of the same \$1 stamp in a blue color frame. That one is an easy item to explain and put in its place.

You can do it by applying water these flags (a substance compared of

You can do it by applying water-glass (a substance composed of sodium silicate, or potasium sili-cate dissolved in water) to the face of the stamp. The stuff will harden, and you will have a dickens of a time removing it, but the frame color will be blue.

These items tell on themselves, for in removing the waterglass a lot of soaking goes on, and a roughening of the paper surface occurs during the mild scrubbing.

In what year did Thomas Jefferson first appear in a stamp design?
 In what year did Lincoln first appear in a stamp design?

In the November 1954 eidition of "The Bureau Specialist," official magazine of the Bureau Issues Assn., there is an excellent article about the "\$1 Wilson, Series 1938, Dry Printing" by George W. Brett. As you know, the \$1 printed on pre-gummed paper in sheets of 400 subjects, had a first day on August 31.

R. A. Bryant, Box 64, West Somerville 44, Mass. is the editor.

A seemingly discouraged collector, who is having more than a fair share of trouble, admits via a letter that "it's about time some advice is solicited."

advice is solicited."

Like so many others, he too has laid a few blocks and a sheet or so away, now and again, for "investment." His difficulties are in the form of blocks which have split and curled, and sheets which have done likewise. He also has-several sheets with a brownish cast. He admits "he done wrong" and now wants to do right, but he wants to

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rected to this paper by inter-ested dealers.

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know, what is right.

Some of his sheets were stored between the pages of magazines and a few between newspaper sheets. Blocks were placed loosely in a candy box, or in glassine envelopes with no firmness on each side to keep them flat.

Most of you know that is all

wrong.

If you are going to buy sheets and blocks to put away, the least you can do is put them away safely and carefully. That means you will have to spend some money for the required accessories.

Newsprint after a time turns

quired accessories.

Newsprint after a time turns brownish and this staining is carried right onto the stamps carried within its folds. Magazines are a little safer, especially the slick paper kind. But in both places the paper can attract moisture and cause your stamps to stick—that's ruination, too.

Mint sheet files, and mint sheet albums are sold by many dealers Some have the sheet pockets made of glassine, or a plastic like Kodapak which is clear, non-shrinking, and chemically inert. Both are suitable—the latter is generally more

able — the latter is generally more expensive. These things are what you must use if you want to keep

you must use if you want to keep sheets safely.

That doesn't mean now, that after you have the sheets put away in one of the files or albums, that you can then lay the works down beside the furnace, or the kitchen water faucet and not have damage. They are to be put away in a cabinet, or cupboard at room temperature, and not near any exces-

cabinet, or cupboard at room temperature, and not near any excessive moisture or heat or cold.

They can be laid flat with not too much weight on top of them, or they can be stored vertically. In either case a little pressure must be present to keep the file or album flat so the contents wont curl—and that doesn't mean a lot of weight!

and that doesn't mean a lot of weight!

There are files for blocks. These are comparatively expensive to glassine envelopes which are used by the majority of collectors. Here again, the choice should be of envelopes with end seams, that are sealed at each end, rather than the center seam kind.

You should note whether the mu-

You should note whether the mucilage, with which the envelopes have been made, is contained within the area of the joints and does not run over to the inside. A spot of such mucilage will at some time or not the name way ways blook time or not be the name of the source ways. another cause your blocks to adhere to the envelope surface.

Envelopes should be from a 1/4 to

a ½ inch larger than the block to be inserted, principally the latter. This lessens damage in putting the This lessens damage in putting the stamps in or taking them out. Envelopes of stamps must be kept flat with adequate pressure, and for convenience are usually stored vertically in the proper size file

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The stocks of the 4½c Presidential were depleted in New York City just recently when Macys bought 900,000 copies. There wont be any scarcity of the denomination, but that is an awful lot of stamps. stamps.

The Special Deliveries, airmails, Presidentials and other issues are still on sale at face value, plus return postage at the Philatelic Agency, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D. C.

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In the first two sessions of its December sale, on December 14 and 15, the Mercury Stamp Co. of New York will sell the famous collection of Austria and Lombardy-Venetia Cancellations, 1850 issue, assembled by Hans Kropf, Mr. Kropf, who was a pioneer in this field wrote the first book on these cancellations, published in 1898.

After his death, his collection became unaccounted for and only recently, when the philatelic property of ex-King Farouk of Egypt was sold in Cairo, it became known that the collection was acquired at that time by King Fuad who had a keen interest in philatelic material of

interest in philatelic material of this kind. King Farouk inherited it from his father.

from his father.

On the two remaining days of the same auction, on December 16 and 17, an interesting and valuable selection of Covers of the World, as well as general foreign material, including a number of rarities, will be offered. Catalogs are obtainable free of charge from the Mercury Stamp Co., 522 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y.

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That they met serious competition is evidenced by the fact that the collection brought more than 25 per cent over the auctioneer's pre-auction estimate. Interesting realizations include the following (Scott include the following. (Scott

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1897 Jubilee \$1 o.g. (\$20) - \$21;

\$2 o.g., slight gum wrinkles (\$45) - \$37; \$3 o.g. block of four (\$220) - \$420; \$5 o.g. block of four (\$240) - \$430; 1897-1927 presentation booklet containing 77 die proofs or essays stamp size in black - \$2400.

1898 Map 2c large die proof in black - \$82.50, plate proof of black design in imprint block of 9 - \$170; 2c black and red, imperf. block of 4 - \$110; 1912-24 coils, perf. 8 vertically first printing, 3c, o.g. sheet of 100 (\$1000) - \$525.

1935 Silver Jubilee, compl. issue of 52 Plate blocks of 10 (\$216) - \$270; imperforate, sets in pairs - \$160 each, in blocks of four - \$310; 1935 secret date, 10c to \$1 large die proofs in color - \$62.50 each, imperforate set in Plates blocks of \$6. \$475.

proofs in color - \$62.50 each, imperforate set in Plate blocks of 6 - \$475.

The collection brought \$47,547.25 against the estimate of \$37.522.50.

#### 1955 Editions Soon Of Reference Books

Service and Regalia Co., 48 Franklin Ave., White Plains, N.Y. advise that they have been named the agents for the Mueller Postage Stamp Catalog for Germany and the Saar, in the United States. The

the Saar, in the United States. The 1955 edition of this reference work will appear in December or early January.

Both countries are given specialized listings including the various die, color, plate, perforation and watermark. Language of the text is German — selling price is \$2 postpaid.

The firm will also have an English-Translated version of the "Dr. Wittmanns Catalogue and Hand-book on the German Building Isbook on the German Building is-sue." All known varieties are recorded, the illustrations are plenti-ful and the pricings will be in dollars and cents.

Expected release date is February. It will sell for 75c postpaid.

#### Small Quantity Of Trieste INTERPOL

An unusual small quantity, for Trieste, of the INTERPOL commem was prepared for sale by overprinting the original Italian stamp with the legend "AMG-FTT". Only 100,000 were issued.

The transfer of this territory to Italy caused some delevith.

taly caused some delay in the re-lease. It is a 25 Lire for the In-ternational Police Conference, ad-vises Vittorio Lo Bianco of New York City. 

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CEYLON. Although very high values are issued primarily for fis-cal use, they are bought mint by collectors. At a recent auction sale in London, a mint copy of the 1 of the 1921-27 issue sold for

ounds.
VIRGIN ISLANDS. The 1951 set to commemorate the restoration of the Legislative Council in 1950, No. 98-101, is a scarce set and due for an increase in price. The 1955 catalogue prices are: Scott \$2.80, Gibbons 9/10d and Commonwealth 13/6d.

13/6d.
This set is given as the week's good "FYND" by Fyndem in Stamp Collecting (London).
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GREAT BRITAIN. Scott's 1955 GREAT BRITAIN. SCOULS 1950.
Catalogue, part one, makes substantial increases in most of the earlier items. The 20th century stamps also received many advantage in the company of the ces in price, including some of the offic

offices.

CANADA. Do not overlook the three 1953 Canada coils, which will have had a short life, as all Canadian Elizabeth stamps have been or will be superceded by those with the new portrait in an oval. Canadian coils have always increased in price, when they become checkets.

nan couls nave always increased in price when they became obsolete and these 1953 coils should be good.

ASCENSION. The current issue is not available from the Crown Agents, inasmuch as a new printing is on order and should be released soon.

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CEYLON. New printings of the 4c, 5c, 30c and 1R stamps are on order. The release of these stamps should complete the new Ceylon set. COMMONWEALTH COMMONWEALTH Catalogue.
The 1955 catalogue of George VI and Elizabeth stamps is the most

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You're always interested in the matter of USA mints selling below face, so here's another item along that line. Ralph Orton, the famous USA wholesaler at 116 Nassau St. in New York City (the Morton Building at that address holds more stamp dealers than any other office structure in the world) is currently offering a bale of superb mint Philatelic Agency stock 16c Airmail Special Deliveries CE1 of 1934 on a below face basis. The original sheets of 50 had 14 straight edges and these were stripped off at the Agency at time of sale so all the blocks of 36 on offer (original 50 less the 14 culls) are perforated and in ultra ultra condition.

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Just another speculator got burned and dumped his holdings, all of which illustrates why few dealers lay in stores of anything much issued since 1930—let the other fellow tie up his cash. Chances are you can get the things below face for the next 25-30 years!! The Airmail Specials are a particularly hard let to get rid of as very few heavy mailers, who consume the bulk of the below face stuff, do any mailing of that kind.

Incidentally, unused USA of the last 30 years are such a drug on the market, everybody having lots of them, that, in appraising collections for sale, most dealers figure the stuff at 5% off face and some discount it as much as 10%. They work it off paying their wholesalers, who take it (excluding Special Deliveries, Special Handlings, and, to some extent, Airmails which few mailers will take) at a discount and then dump it to some bank or insurance company using large quantities of stamps daily. Chances are that, when you sell your USA collection, all the mints since 1930, bought from you at a discount although you don't realize it, will be in a heavy mailer's stamp chest within 30 days and that they'll all be used on commercial correspondence within 45 days after you part with them.

Millions are gotten off the mint market that way each year and it's all to the good for, just so long as huge lots are around, values remain depressed. Don't forget that as late as 1920, mint Columbians were regarded as something to be gotten rid of at the earliest opportunity and that dealers were all working off high values on banks at 10% below face.

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dollar Omahas. Collectors bring this upon themselves by their foolish and absolutely senseless buying of sheets virtually none of which can ever be disposed of except for mailing use below face. Incidentally, with big mailers increasingly using mailing machine labels instead of stamps for security reasons, the market for mints to use up on mail is steadily declining and, while one could readily discount almost anything at any big business establishment a few years ago, you have to shop at any big business establishment a few years ago, you have to shop around for takers these days. Taking advantage of the situation, the latter demand ever mounting discounts and holders of parcels, seeking cash, have no alternative except to take what is offered. Don't fondly imagine that USA stamps "will always be worth face value." The simple fact is that with most of the mints since 1930, you've got to take a loss as

1930, you've got to take a loss as soon as you try to sell them.

The Autumn Philatelic Traders Society wholesale bourse, just held in London, was a howling success. Some 40 dealers had tables, hundreds of retailers from all parts of the British Isles and the continent were in attendance, and a lot of business was done. It may interest readers to know that exchange is the common practice on such occasions, though substantial cash transactions are, of course, seen through as well. Large numbers of dealers look to this annual affair as the place to stock up for the fall, Christmas season and winter, and stamp shops everywhere burst forth with gay displays as the new merchandise comes in.

Incidentally, speaking of the Virgin Islands, playing cards sold there bear a remarkable assortment of revenue stamps, many overprinted on U.S.A. ones but used only in the Islands. They'd be worth listing, too, to bring order out of chaos. out of chaos.

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As former service men and travelers abroad know, U.S.A. cigarettes sold in post exchanges and overseas do not bear the customary revenue stamps which are replaced by 1 a be 1 s reading variously "Packed Expressly for Sale by U.S. Government of Sale Outside Territorial Limits of the U.S.A.", etc. They come in great variety and have their devotees, though not nearly the number of people collect them that would if a list of known varieties were available to guide them. Roger Preston, the eminent Puerto Rican specialist whose learned articles are the last word on the island's issues, tells me that he has been saving such labels only casually, yet has 559 varieties,



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ing been reproduced from one of his paintings. One of his pupils was Giovanni Botticini, c.1446-c.1497, whose Raphael and Tobias is shown on Vatican City airmail stamps of 1948 (Scott Nos. C16-17). This was a favorite theme of painters of the period.

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painters of the period.

The story is told in the Book of Tobit, The Apocrypha. The incident chosen is the journey home of Tobias, guided by the angel Raphael, carrying the fish's gall with which to cure his father's blindness. Presumably this unguent is contained in the little jar which the angel holds in his right hand.

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The fish carried by Tobias is an anachronism for the Apocryphal story goes "... open the fish and take the heart and the liver and the gall and put them up safely. So the young man did as the angel commanded him; and when they had roasted the fish, they did eat it ..." Regardless of the Apocyphral story, the fish and the little dog (who is mentioned in the story) struck the imagination and are generally included as emblems of Tobias.

Rev. Aloysius Horn, one of the world's greatest authorities on religion on stamps, wrote me that the canvas is in the Academy des Beau-Arts, Florence.

Out of Bellini's workshop also came Titian, 14777-1576, the most famous of all Venetian painters. Titian was born in Cadore, in the southern Alps, and is said to have been ninety-nine when he died of the plague in Venice. During his long life he attained fame almost as great as that of Michelangelo. His early biographers tell us with awe that the great Charles V did him the honor of picking up a brush he had dropped.

If we remember the strict rules of the court of those times, we will realize that the greatest embodiment of worldly power was believed to have symbolically humbled himself before the genius of Titian.

His greatest fame with his contemporaries rested on portraits

ius of Titian. His greatest fame with his contemporaries rested on portraits and it is only by them that he is represented on stamps. His portrait of Clarice Strozzi is on Saar B96. The Strozzis were among the most powerful and influential of the great Italian fearlies had of the great Italian families, but we have been unable to deter-mine which member was the fa-

we have been unable to determine which member was the father of Clarice.

Vatican City No. 116 shows a detail from Titian's portrait of Christoforo Madruzzi, 1512-1578, who was the Bishop of Trent at the time Paul III convened the Council of Trent. The account of this issue of Vatican City was given by William Wonneberger, Jr., in Linn's Weekly Stamp News June 30, 1952. So far as we know, the portrait is in the James Stillman Collection, New York.

Vatican City No. 120 pictures a detail of Titian's portrait of Charles V which was painted in 1548, the year the emperor issued the unsatisfactory "Interim" and attempted an abortive reconstruction of the imperial constitution. The tired face and sad eyes in the portrait reflect the weariness and disillusionment which presently confirmed the emperor in his intention to abdicate. The canvas is in the Pinakothek, Munich. canvas is in the Pinakothek, Mu-

nich.

On Vatican City No. 121 there is a detail from Titian's portrait of Pope Paul III, who was born Alessandro Farnese. With the support of Charles V he started the Council of Trent, May 22, 1542. The canvas, we believe, is in the National Museum of Nanles. in the Naples.

A portrait by Giovanni Girolamo Savoldo is shown on Liechtenstein No. 261. About him we have learned nothing other than that he was born in Brescia in 1480 and died in Venice in 1548 or 1549

or 1549. Lorenzo Lotto, 1480-1556. Concerning his life we have found little in our local library. Vasari describes many of his portraits, but says almost nothing concernbut says almost nothing concerning him personally except that when he had become quite old he had almost entirely lost his and bound up his wounds, pourvoice and that he died, as he had in the manner of an up-

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Bernhard Berenson made a quite complete study of the painters's work, but his book is not available to me. In nothing that we have is there any mention of Lotto's portrait of Columbus shown on U. S. No. 244 — one of the nice little items in the Columbian Exposition Issue. For those of us who must be satisfied with less, the same portrait is shown on type A14 of Chile. The canvas is owned by James Ellsworth of Chicago.

Sebastino del Piombo's (c.1485-1547) real name was Luciani. The Bernhard Berenson made

1547) real name was Luciani. The date of his birth has been calculated from Vasari's statement that lated from Vasari's statement that he died at the age of sixty-two. The date of his death is known with certainty to be 1547. He acquired the first principles of his art from Giovanni Bellini and later came under the direct influence of many of the greatest masters of Italian art, including Michelangelo.

In 1531 Sebastino received the office of Piombo (keeper of the papal seals) and from this office he derived his name. He at once assumed the habit of a monk and

assumed the habit of a monk and always added an F. for Frate be-fore his signature. After his ap-pointment he lived a life of ease to make up for his laborious early

He was one of those rare ar-He was one of those rare artists who having the capacity for artistic greatness failed to develop that capacity. From his Raphael attempted to acquire those potent secrets of magical color which came so easily to the Venetians. In his "The Italian Painters of the Renaissance" Berenson says: "At his rarest best Raphael, as a master of color, never went

says: "At his rarest best kaphaei, as a master of color, never went beyond Sebastino.

The portrait of Reginald Cardinal Pole, 1500-1558, on Vatican City No. 117, is by Sebastino. Pole was one of the great English prelates. The canvas is in Leningrad.

grad.
The only other portrait on The only other portrait on stamps we have found by him is another of Columbus which is shown on several South American stamps: Chile, type A15; Colombia No. 472, Costa Rica No. 124, and perhaps others.

The only other portrait on stamps we have found in the Metro-

and perhaps others.

The original is in the Metropolitan Museum. On the top of this picture there is a Latin inscription which says that it was painted in 1519 and "is the marvelous portrait of the Ligurian Columbus, the first to reach by ship the world of the Antipodes."

The portrait by Sebastino and the one by Lotto are the only portraits on stamps of Columbus we have so far been able to identify. Incidentally, it has been said

we have so far been able to iden-tify. Incidentally, it has been said that no portrait of Columbus is known to have been painted from life or during his lifetime. Jacopo da Ponte, 1510/15-1592, received the name Bassano from a small market form. It was for

a small market-town. It was for the inhabitants of this town that he painted his pictures. Into nearly every picture he painted epi-sodes from the life in the streets of Bassano and in the country just outside the gates.

Bassano is considered to be the first modern landscape painter. Working, as he did, in the country and for country people, he could not fail to paint landscapes direct from nature. Even Titian and Tintoretto's beautiful land-scapes were only decorative backgrounds, arranged to look like scenery. Bassano was the first Italian who tried to paint the country as it is. The paintings of Bassano and his two sons are noted for their jewel-like color-

Bassano has one other great attraction — he began to beat out the path which ended at last in Velazques. More than all others, the Venetian school of painting went to form that great Spanish master.
Bassano's "The Good Samari-

Bassano's "The Good Samari-tan" is shown on Saar B87. The story is found in Luke 10, verses 30-37. The episode pictured: "But a certain Samaritan, as he jour-neyed, came where he was: and when he saw him he had com-

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We are indebted to Reverend Aloysius Horn for background details on this canvas. He wrote: "The painting is now in the National Gallery, London. It was from the Pisani Palace in Venice and was once in the collection of from the Pisani Palace in Venice and was once in the collection of Sir Joshua Reynolds. The Samaritan in a crimson tunic raises the wounded Jew, his mule and two dogs are to the right. In the left background is a hilly landscape with figures; in the right background is a dark rock. The canvas was sold at the Samuel Rogers' sale in May 1856 and thus reached the National Gallery. There is a repetition of this paint-There is a repetition of this painting in Berlin."

on Vatican City No. 113 is a portrait of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, 1491-1556. We have read that the portrait is by Jacopino del Conte, but it has occurred to us that this may be merely a different version of the name del Ponte as the dates given are identical.

Saint Ignatius founded the society of the Jesuits.

Paolo Caliari 1528-1588, is better known as Paul Veronese. He was the product of four or five generations of Veronese painters, but as his art was so similar he was readily absorbed by the Vienese school. He was primarily concerned with interior decome. concerned with interior decora-tion, costume, and Venetian pag-eantry, so it was not easy for him to accommodate his style to re-ligious demands. He was even to accommodate his style to re-ligious demands. He was even brought before the Inquisition, ac-cused of adding details which de-tracted from the sacred content of his religious works. He replied to them that he had done so just to

make the pictures more beautiful.

His chief employers were the monasteries. Berenson writes of him: "His cheerfulness and his frank and joyous worldliness, the qualities, in short, which we find in his huge pictures of feasts, seem to have been postured." quanties, in short, which we find in his huge pictures of feasts, seem to have been particularly welcome to those who were ex-pected to make their meat and drink of the very opposite qual-ities." ities.

Veronese's "Oath of Pontida" is shown on Italy No. 485. Pontida has a famous Benedictine Abbey has a famous Benedictine Abbey of 1081, according to information furnished us by another member of the American Topical Association — John B. Kaiser, of the Newark Public Library. This abbey is the traditional first meeting place (April 7, 1167) of the representatives of the towns that formed the Lombard League.

The "Oath" refers to one taken at the time of the formation of the League. According to Reverend Horn there are no identifiable historical characters on the stamp. The National Museum has published a book on the stamps

published a book on the stamps of Vatican City. In the book is an article concerning this stamp

by Reverend Horn.

By the eighteenth century, Venice had become a political and economic backwater; but somehow the city-state managed to retain enough of its cultural vitality to produce Giovanni Battista Tie-polo, 1696-1769. His works were great enough to give a new impulse to art and his paintings left in Spain help explain the revival of painting in that country under Goya.

The Spanish Air Mail stamp of 1952 (C137) shows a scene of an angel holding up a monstrance from "La Eucaristia" by Tiepolo. According to my Maximum Card.

According to my Maximum Card, dated 1952, the Painting is in the Prado Museum.

Many schools of the 17th and Many schools of the 17th and 18th centuries, such as the Flemish, led by Rubens; the English, led by Reynolds, and the Spanish, led by Goya, owe much to the Venetians. In addition, their works are pure delight to the observer.

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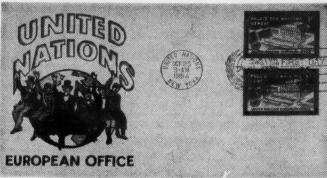
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New Bureaus

Reported by George Klein new issue dealer. 1½c sheet stamps from Clinton, Mo., and Minot, N. D.—2c sheet stamp from Oak Park, Ill.—1½c and 2c coil stamps from Desoto, Mo.—50c sheet stamp from Dallas, Texas.

The 3c Kansas City new series item will be given number 774 in the catalog. This means that the ½c will be 770, the 1c 771, the 1½c 772 and the 2c 773.

**NEW SERIES** 

The Golden Gate Bulletin in with a 2c Socorro, N. Mex.
A lot to check over shows the 1c, 2c, 3c and 8c from Watsonville, Calif. — another source brings a 1c from Moreno, Calif. Don't know why all are from the west. Only east item is the 1c Worcester, Mass.

Mass.
The Christmas mails will undoubtedly bring many nice items out. So keep your eyes open.

DATEDS

When dating came into use some firms were so zealous about applying the dating that every once in awhile they even forgot to get the stamps precancelled. This happened to some Special Delivery items dated NEA from Cleveland but when it happened to some lesser known firms the town is very difficult to identify.

I mentioned a 19c item some months ago and never have established its identity. In checking over a lot today came across a 7c Presidential with only the dating "II Co. APR '41." Only a little later came across a 11c with same initials but a "MAR '40" dating and that stamp was precancelled Massilon, Ohio. So of course that establishes the town on the 7c item. Neither stamp is a rarity but it is all very interesting when you have the time to go a digging.

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He is Arturo Prat, the subject of a 2 Peso commemorative issued in September. The stamp notes the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Iquique in which Prat starred.

The engagement occurred during the "War of the Pacific" in 1879, Chile fighting both Bolivia and Peru, overcoming both, finally.

Although Prat's ship was sunk and he was killed, the way in which this gallant man met his death has become one of the outstanding historical legends of Chile. He commanded a small ship, the "Esmeralda" of 850 tons, which was surprised by the Peruvians while he waited according to orders at Iquique.

Knowing the odds against him, he sailed to meet the enemy, his orders to his men being, "Men the battle is unequal. Never has the flag of Chile been struck before an enemy and I hope this is not the occasion to do it. While I live, this flag will have its place, and if I die, my superiors will know I followed my orders."

John Linton of Santiago, Chile, who sent a copy of the stamp and the historical data, advises that Prat was honored in 1948 with a 40c blue on the 100th anniversary of his birth. This earlier issue pictured the battle in progress in the background.

#### **Urges Commems For UN 10th Anniversary**

The American Association for the United Nations has announced it passed a resolution which "invites everyone, especially stamp collectors, to urge the UN Postal Administration and the postal administration of the U. S. and other governments to issue sets of low denomination postage stamps in com-

ments to issue sets of low denomination postage stamps in commemoration of the Tenth Anniversary of the United Nations, Monday, October 24, 1955."

In making the announcement, Clark M. Eichelberger, executive director of the AAUN said, "This is one of a number of special projects we invite everyone to support to help make the UN's tenth year the best in its brief but very encouraging history."

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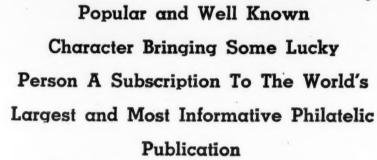
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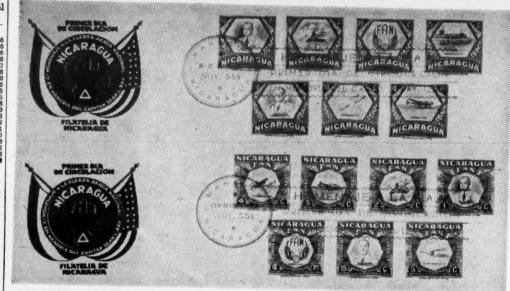
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CHINA (Communist)-The Director General of Posts of this country advises that a three-value set was recently issued commemset was recently issued commemorating the first anniversary of the death of Josef Stalin. Values and designs are: 400y black, featuring a statue of Stalin; 800y brown, picturing a portrait of Stalin and a 2000y red value featuring another picture of Stalin.

FORMOSA-On October 21 two stamps, both of the same design, were issued in commemoration of the second anniversary of the "Overseas Chinese Day." Values are 40c orange and \$5 blue. The design shows a globe, bridge, ship and the ocean.

FRANCE—A new coat-of-arms set has been issued, replacing the sixth set that was issued in 1953. sixth set that was issued in Four of the values were placed on advance sale in Paris on Novem-

advance sale in Paris on November 3, in connection with the "Salon de l'Enfance" exhibition.

These values are: 50c, Maine; 70c, Navarre; 80c, Nivernais and 1 franc, Bourbonnais: On November 11, the rest of the set was issued. These three values are: 2

franc, Angoumois; 3fr Aunis and 5fr Saintonge.

LIBERIA — The six-value Transportation Airmail series has

Transportation Airmail series has been utilized for a set of airmail stamps, in commemoration of the visit to the United States of the President, Wm. V. S. Tubman. The same designs as the Transportation have been used, but will be in different colors, and an inscription has been added, reading: "Commemorating Presidential Visit - U.S.A. - 1954." These were placed on sale on November 19. Values and colors are: 12c orange; 25c blue; 35c red; 50c purple; 70c brown and \$1.00 green.

LUXEMBOURG — The 1954

LUXEMBOURG - The Caritas stamps are to be issued on December 3, and will remain on sale until February 12, advises the Administration of Posts. The six value set will feature folklore of Luxembourg.

folklore of Luxembourg.

Values and colors are to be:
25c plus 5c red-brown and pink,
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and ochre. The designs on these
two will be "Eimaischen", a fair
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80c plus 20c brown-black and
green and 4 francs plus 50c ultramarine and bright blue will both
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ors are: 1 escudo chestnut on light green background, and 3.50E blue on a light green background.

SWITZERLAND — The 1954 Pro Juventute set will go on sale December 1, and will remain valid for postage until June 30, 1955. The set comprises five stamps, with a surcharge. Aside from the set there will also be on sale booklets containing twelve 5c plus 5c values, twelve 10c plus 10c values and four 20c plus 10c values. values.

Values of the set are to be: 10c plus 10c, 20c plus 10c, 30c plus 10c, and 50c plus 10c. These values will have as their designs in-

The 5c plus 5c has a portrait of Jeremias Gotthelf, a novelist.

#### Souvenir Sheet For Turkey's PTT

On October 17 Turkey had a first day of issue of a souvenir sheet containing three stamps in honor of the Post, Telephone and Telegraph ent. It contained three each symbolical of the Department. stamps, each three services.



A 20 Kurus sea green pictured crossed hand-phones; the 30k blue violet, telegraph pole and wires; 1 Lira red violet, dove with a letter and the globe.

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They remain valid for postage until December 31.

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The Israel Philatelic Agency in America, Inc., reports interest in the newly-offered revenue stamps of that country. These are being sought by philatelists, who round out their regular collections with the fiscals.

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The offerings are coming from the olderings are coming from several sources in Britain and if the boys act quick they can get them in the ASDA show in New York before this warning gets in

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market before long at 25c perhaps less.

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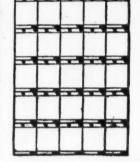
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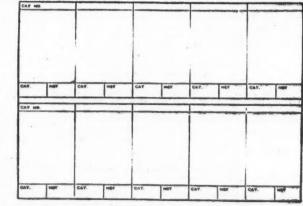


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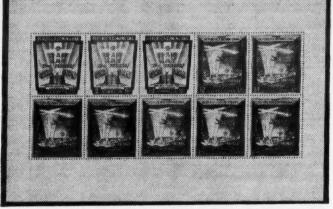
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